

Unemployment Rates for States
Annual Average Rankings
2000 - 2005

State	2005		2004		2003		2002		2001		2000	
	Rate	Rank										
United States	5.1	---	5.5	---	6.0	---	5.8	---	4.7	---	4.0	---
Alabama	4.0	11	5.2	25	5.8	30	5.6	28	4.8	33	4.1	32
Alaska	6.8	48	7.4	50	7.7	50	7.1	49	6.2	48	6.2	51
Arizona	4.7	21	5.0	22	5.7	27	6.0	39	4.7	30	4.0	28
Arkansas	4.9	25	5.6	34	5.9	32	5.4	25	4.7	30	4.2	34
California	5.4	37	6.2	42	6.8	46	6.7	45	5.4	42	5.0	43
Colorado	5.0	27	5.6	34	6.2	36	5.9	36	3.9	12	2.6	3
Connecticut	4.9	25	4.9	19	5.5	21	4.4	10	3.1	2	2.4	2
Delaware	4.2	16	4.0	9	4.0	4	3.8	4	3.5	9	3.3	14
District of Columbia	6.5	46	7.5	51	7.2	48	6.8	48	6.2	48	5.7	50
Florida	3.8	7	4.7	15	5.3	17	5.7	31	4.6	27	3.8	25
Georgia	5.3	34	4.8	18	4.7	13	4.8	16	4.0	16	3.5	19
Hawaii	2.8	1	3.3	1	3.9	3	4.1	7	4.3	19	4.0	28
Idaho	3.8	7	4.7	15	5.3	17	5.4	25	4.9	34	4.6	41
Illinois	5.7	42	6.2	42	6.7	43	6.5	44	5.4	42	4.5	38
Indiana	5.4	37	5.3	28	5.3	17	5.2	19	4.2	18	2.9	10
Iowa	4.6	20	4.7	15	4.4	7	3.9	5	3.3	6	2.7	6
Kansas	5.1	32	5.6	34	5.6	23	5.2	19	4.3	19	3.7	22
Kentucky	6.1	44	5.5	31	6.2	36	5.7	31	5.3	40	4.2	34
Louisiana	7.1	50	5.7	37	6.3	39	5.9	36	5.4	42	5.0	43
Maine	4.8	23	4.6	12	5.0	15	4.4	10	3.9	12	3.4	16
Maryland	4.1	14	4.3	10	4.5	10	4.5	13	4.0	16	3.6	21
Massachusetts	4.8	23	5.2	25	5.8	30	5.3	23	3.7	10	2.7	6
Michigan	6.7	47	7.0	48	7.1	47	6.2	41	5.2	38	3.7	22
Minnesota	4.0	11	4.6	12	4.9	14	4.6	15	3.9	12	3.2	13
Mississippi	7.9	51	6.3	45	6.4	40	6.7	45	5.6	46	5.6	49
Missouri	5.4	37	5.8	39	5.6	23	5.2	19	4.5	25	3.3	14
Montana	4.0	11	4.3	10	4.4	7	4.4	10	4.5	25	4.8	42
Nebraska	3.8	7	3.9	6	4.0	4	3.7	3	3.1	2	2.7	6
Nevada	4.1	14	4.6	12	5.1	16	5.6	28	5.3	40	4.5	38
New Hampshire	3.6	5	3.9	6	4.5	10	4.5	13	3.4	8	2.6	3
New Jersey	4.4	18	4.9	19	5.9	32	5.8	35	4.3	19	3.7	22
New Mexico	5.3	34	5.7	37	5.9	32	5.5	27	4.9	34	5.0	43
New York	5.0	27	5.8	39	6.4	40	6.2	41	4.9	34	4.5	38
North Carolina	5.2	33	5.5	31	6.5	42	6.7	45	5.6	46	3.8	25
North Dakota	3.4	2	3.5	2	3.6	2	3.5	2	2.8	1	2.9	10
Ohio	5.9	43	6.2	42	6.2	36	5.7	31	4.4	22	4.0	28
Oklahoma	4.4	18	4.9	19	5.6	23	4.8	16	3.7	10	3.1	12
Oregon	6.1	44	7.3	49	8.1	51	7.6	51	6.4	51	5.2	47
Pennsylvania	5.0	27	5.4	30	5.7	27	5.6	28	4.7	30	4.2	34
Rhode Island	5.0	27	5.2	25	5.4	20	5.1	18	4.6	27	4.1	32
South Carolina	6.8	48	6.8	47	6.7	43	6.0	39	5.4	42	3.5	19
South Dakota	3.9	10	3.8	5	3.5	1	3.3	1	3.1	2	2.7	6
Tennessee	5.6	41	5.5	31	5.5	21	5.2	19	4.6	27	4.0	28
Texas	5.3	34	6.0	41	6.7	43	6.3	43	5.0	37	4.4	37
Utah	4.3	17	5.0	22	5.7	27	5.7	31	4.4	22	3.4	16
Vermont	3.5	3	3.7	3	4.5	10	4.0	6	3.3	6	2.6	3
Virginia	3.5	3	3.7	3	4.1	6	4.2	9	3.2	5	2.3	1
Washington	5.5	40	6.3	45	7.4	49	7.3	50	6.2	48	5.0	43
West Virginia	5.0	27	5.3	28	6.0	35	5.9	36	5.2	38	5.5	48
Wisconsin	4.7	21	5.0	22	5.6	23	5.3	23	4.4	22	3.4	16
Wyoming	3.6	5	3.9	6	4.4	7	4.1	7	3.9	12	3.8	25